RESOLUTIONS

OF THE

LEGISLATURE OF CALIFORNIA,

Requesting arms for the use of that State.

March 19, 1860.—Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and the Militia, and ordered to be printed.

Whereas, from our isolated position in the confederacy, it is actually necessary for the common defense and general welfare of the people of the State of California that we should be properly supplied with arms and munitions of war, sufficient for self-protection; and whereas, in the event of war with or foreign invasion by any of the great powers of Europe, California, from her detached and exposed condition, would, in her defenseless situation, become a prey to the enemy: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That our senators be instructed, and representatives in Congress be requested, to exert their influence with the federal government to procure twenty thousand stand of arms, and four batteries of light and four batteries of heavy artillery for the use of California.

Resolved, That his excellency, the governor, be requested to transmit a copy of the above preamble and resolutions to our senators and

representatives in Congress.

PHIL. MOORE,
Speaker of the Assembly.
J. N. QUINN,
President of the Senate.

Approved, February 9, A. D. 1860.

JOHN G. DOWNEY,

Governor.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, Department of State.

I, Johnson Price, secretary of state of the State of California, do hereby certify that the annexed is a true, full, and correct copy of the original resolutions approved February 9, A. D. 1860, now on file in my office.

Witness my hand and the great seal of State, at office, in Sacramento, California, the 10th day of February, A. D. 1860.

JOHNSON PRICE, Secretary of State. By E. E. EYRE, Deputy.